

REMARKS

The Notice of Allowance dated October 10, 2006, in which claims 33-66 were allowed, has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments to the claims, and the following remarks, are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

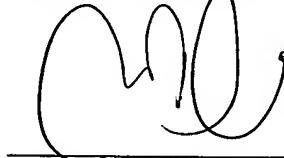
Claims 34, 35, 41, 51-53, 55, 56, and 60-66 have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention. New claims 67 and 68 have been added. No new matter has been added. Therefore, claims 34-67 are respectfully submitted for consideration.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claim amendments have not altered the scope of the allowed claims. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that a new Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the applicant's undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicant respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

Respectfully submitted,



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